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RENEWED REQUEST BY APPLICANTS FOR INTERFERENCE
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.607 AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

By the present submission, Applicants amend the above-identified application and also renew their request that an interference be declared between the instant application of Iverson *et al.* ("Iverson") and U.S. Patent No. 6,174,673 to Short *et al.* ("Short").

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 46-59 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter

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Appendix A attached hereto):

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